## **April 18, 2005 - Deputy Commissioner Speaks About Re-entry**

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Deputy Commissioner Von Arx

Indianapolis, IN - Choices, West Side Weed & Seed, the Indiana Department of Correction and WTLC-AM1310 have partnered to sponsor a live community forum entitled "From Re-Entry to Reconciliation," during Radio One's Today's Woman Expo inside the Indiana State Fairgrounds Exposition Hall, Sunday, April 24, beginning at 2:30 p.m. Deputy Commissioner Julie Von Arx will be on the panel of speakers.

"I'm excited about the opportunity to participate in a forum that will allow the Department of Correction to hear from the community about improving our re-entry efforts. Since 93% of the DOC's population returns to the community, the Department must begin the process of reentry from the day an offender enters our system. I'm eager to hear how the community thinks this should occur," said Von Arx.

The expo is an open forum which will enable those directly affected by the problems related to re-entry. Released individuals, their family members, and the family members of persons currently incarcerated will be at the forum to talk address issues.

A panel of eight people, including our great supporter, Ms. Von Arx, will talk about our re-entry strategy. To read more about the Indiana Department of Correction 2005 TRANSITION FROM PRISON TO COMMUNITY INITIATIVE, please <u>click here</u>.